

## METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR EMULATING A FIBRE CHANNEL PORT

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### ABSTRACT

Disclosed is a method and apparatus for emulating a fibre channel port. A controller is provided according to the invention that includes a fabric port and a virtual N port. The controller is adapted to buffer incoming data and convert an N port address provided with the data by a host computer to an instruction to the picker to couple the disk drive corresponding to the requested N port address to the virtual N port.

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